

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER
MAR 06 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: BRADLEY P. JONES, ET AL.)
Serial No.: 10/709,534) Group Art Unit: 2823
Filed: May 12, 2004) Examiner: Coleman, W.
For: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING) Confirmation No.: 3533
VOIDING AND BRIDGING IN)
SILICIDE FORMATION)

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2006, the Applicants submit
the following response: